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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - NARITA USER CHARGES

1. IATA USER CHARGE GROUP IS SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH NARITA CORPORATION (NTIAA) ON MAY 23 AND 24 ON THE NARITA LANDING FEES AND PASSENGER CHARGES QUESTION. UNRESOLVED ISSUES ARE (A) WHETHER THE 1600 YEN LANDING FEE WILL BE FROZEN FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR, OR AS NTIAA HOPES, SUBJECT TO IMMEDIATE INCREASE; (B) ADJUSTMENT OF PUBLISHED NARITA CHARGES SCHEDULE TO SPECIFY THAT PASSENGER CHARGE IS TO BE PAID BY PASSENGERS, NOT THE AIRLINES, AND (C) WHETHER PASSENGER CHARGE OR LANDING FEE WILL BE INCREASED TO COVER RISING AIRPORT COSTS. US CARRIERS HAVE INDICATED THAT THESE ISSUES MUST BE SETTLED BEFORE THEY WILL SIGN A CONTRACT WITH NTIAA.

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2. MEETING COINCIDES WITH SCHEDULED OPENING OF AIRPORT, AND PAN AM BELIEVES THAT AIRPORT AUTHORITIES MAY POSTPONE MEETING UNTIL NARITA IS OPERATING SMOOTHLY, OR AT LEAST OPERATING.

3. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO FIND OUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER NTIAA DOES INTEND TO POSTPONE MEETING, AND IF SO,

TO WHAT DATE. SHOULD NARITA BEGIN OPERATIONS WITHOUT AN

AGREEMENT ON LEVEL OF CHARGES, IT IS USG POSITION THAT THE
US CARRIERS SHOULD BE ASSESSED USER FEES NO HIGHER THAN
THE CURRENT HANEDA CHARGES PENDING RESOLUTION.

4. EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO REMIND APPROPRIATE GOJ AND NTIAA
OFFICIALS OF USG'S GREAT INTEREST IN THIS MATTER AND OUR
EXPECTATION THAT USER CHARGE ISSUE CAN BE RESOLVED TO
SATISFACTION AIRLINES, GOJ, AND USG.

5. DOT HAS DELAYED FURTHER ACTION ON ITS FINDING AGAINST
THE PROPOSED NARITA CHARGES PENDING THE OUTCOME OF THE
MAY 23-24 MEETING. VANCE

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